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Applicant

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For

DNA POLYMERASE III HOLOENZYME

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the December 8, 1998, office action, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 17, line 26, please delete "is as follows" and insert -- begins with a stop codon --.

On page 17, line 27, please delete "T" and insert -- TGA--.

On page 17, line 27, please delete "50" and insert --52--.

On page 17, line 28, please delete "102" insert --104--.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 9, 11, 18, 21-53, 56, 61, 63, and 66-75 and amend claims 5, 14, 19, 20, 54, and 59 as follows:

(Amended) An isolated DNA molecule encoding a protein subunit of polymerase III holoenzyme from a eubacterial prokaryote, wherein the subunit group is δ' .